

Service Date: May 14, 1984

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER Of The Application)
of MOUNTAIN STATES TELEPHONE AND)UTILITY DIVISION
TELEGRAPH COMPANY (MOUNTAIN BELL))
For Authority To Introduce Centron-)DOCKET NO. 84.3.10
Custom Service.)DEFAULT ORDER NO. 5060

On March 6, 1984, Mountain Bell filed a request with the Montana Public Service Commission for authority to introduce Centron-Custom Service. The major difference between Centron-Custom and existing Centron services is that Centron-Custom is designed to serve those customers having line size requirements exceeding 300 main station lines and those customers located more than two (2) miles from the Central Office. These customers are excluded from the existing Centron Services.

The Company's proposal includes pricing each Centron-Custom system on an individual case basis. The individual pricing would be cost supported and would include an appropriate level of contribution to the Company. Tariff pages would be filed for each Centron-Custom customer listing the customer's name, address, the USOC's applicable, the initial service date and the service period.

Having considered the request and the documentation furnished by Mountain Bell in support of its request, the Commission makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. A Notice of Opportunity For Public Hearing was issued on April 2, 1984. The notice was published in various newspapers throughout the state on April 6, 1984. The notice stated that if no hearing was requested by April 27, 1984, an appropriate order may be issued based upon evidence submitted with the application.

2. No request for a hearing was received and no hearing was scheduled.

3. The Commission finds that Mountain Bell's request is reasonable and grants its request to offer Centron-Custom service.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph, Inc., furnishes telephone service within the State of Montana and is a "public utility" under the regulatory jurisdiction of the Montana Public Service Commission. MCA 69-3-101.

2. The Montana Public Service Commission properly exercises jurisdiction over the Applicant's Montana operations pursuant to Title 69, Chapter 3, MCA.

ORDER

1. Mountain Bell's request to offer Centron-Custom service is hereby GRANTED

2. The tariffs for Centron-Custom service are accepted as filed and shall be effective as of the date of this order.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana this 14 day of May, 1984 by a 5 to 0 vote

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER,
Chairman

JOHN B. DRISCOLL,
Commissioner

HOWARD L. ELLIS, Commissioner

CLYDE JARVIS, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Madeline L. Cottrill

Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this
decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 28.2.4806,
ARM.